and unwanted pregnancies. These initiatives are likely to provide the right impetus for improving the health & family welfare services, and hasten process of population stabilization in the country.

Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA), which is a national flagship programme of the Government of India, is the vehicle for operationalising the strategy for universal elementary education in the country. The programme seeks to open new schools in uncovered habitations, augment school infrastructure through provision of additional classrooms, toilets, drinking water, etc. The aim is to provide elementary education to all children in the 6-14 years age-group by 2010.

Proposal to govern regulatory organisations

3900. SHRI GIREESH KUMAR SANGHI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering the proposal that would govern regulatory organizations, such as SEBI, TRAI and IRDA;

(b) if so, the details in this regard; and

(c) to what extent such a policy decision by the Planning Commission for stablishment of multi-sector regulator would benefit Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI M.V. RAJASEKHARAN): (a) and (b) The National Common Minimum Programme states, *inter alia,* that 'all regulatory institutions will be strengthened to ensure that competition is free & fair. These institutions will be run professionally.'

In regard to the above NCMP item, the Planning Commission was asked to prepare a paper on the regulatory framework for infrastructure sector.

A consultation paper on 'Approach to Regulation of Infrastructure-Issues and Options' has since been prepared and a copy of the paper has been put on the websites of the Planning Commission: www.planningcommission.gov.in and the Committee on Infrastructure: www.infrastructure.gov.in for comments of the stakeholders, experts, etc.

(c) This paper analyses the rationale for regulation, surveys the existing regulatory institutions with respect to their roles, scope and identifies the

principles and policy options for an overarching regulatory framework-independence and autonomy; functions of the regulator and his interface with the subject Ministry; accountability of the regulator; transparency of the regulatory process; competition issues and interface with the Competition Commission; dispute resolution etc. which are basic to their institutional design.

A meeting was convened on 25th September 2006 with the Ministries/ Department concerned, regulators, academicians, industry associations and other stakeholders to discuss the above. After the discussion, the participants have been requested to send their written comments based on which a revised version of the paper would be prepared and focused discussion on the same would be held with all stakeholders regulators, consumer groups, etc.

Plan outlay for Eleventh Plan

3901. SHRI S. ANBALAGAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the total plan outlay for the Eleventh Plan, alongwith annual outlays;

(b) the amount by which it is more than the Tenth Plan and the percentage of increase;

(c) the priority sectors of planning for the Eleventh Plan alongwith the reasons therefor; and

(d) the extent to which the goals set for Tenth Plan were achieved and the steps proposed to be taken for the achievement of goals for Eleventh Plan particularly after taking into account the failures during the past plans?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI M.V. RAJASEKHARAN): (a) The Eleventh Five year Plan is under formulation.

(b) and (c) In view of (a) above, do not arise.

(d) The target and achievement during the 10th Five Year Plan are given in the following Statement.